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1. The VIENNA Central Committee of the Communist Party of Austria issued a directive that, starting December 1949, Communist functionaries of the LINZ steel plant*will be sent to training courses in the Soviet Zone of Austria to improve their standards of performance which were revealed insufficient by the election defeat. These functionaries are now alarmed that they might be held personally responsible for the election defeat and arrested by the Soviet Occupation Power.
2. KUCHNER, although assured by the provincial board that the courses would last for only several days, obviously failed to quiet his men, and intends to make the proposal that the courses be held in the Western Zone of Austria to avoid any possible risk.
3. This nervousness of the Communist leaders in the steel plant also prevented the Communist intended strike in the LINZ steel plant. The provincial board is deeply dissatisfied with the situation, but does not risk taking any stronger action against the party membership.

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Comment: This is undoubtedly the Vereinigte
Oesterreichische Eisen- u. Stahlwerke A.G., Linz.

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